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PATENT  
CASE NO. 9743/6

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application: )  
Ludwig Angerpointner )  
Serial No.: 10/788,544 ) Group Art Unit: 2834  
Filed: February 27, 2004 ) Examiner: Pham, Leda T.  
For: SLIP RING UNIT WITH A )  
PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD )

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby submits the following references for consideration by the Examiner. In particular the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) have been satisfied as shown by the attached check for \$ 180.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). A copy of the cited U.S. Patent is not being supplied pursuant to the amendment of the rules presented in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Official Gazette Notice dated October 12, 2004. A copy of the remaining reference has been enclosed along with a completed copy of Form PTO-1449.

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## **I. DISCLOSURE**

### **A. U.S. Patents**

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
6,768,233 B2	Angerpointner	07/27/04

### **B. Foreign Patents**

<u>Reference No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Pub. Date</u>
WO 00/36710 A1	WIPO	06/22/00

## **II. DISCUSSION**

### **A. WIPO Reference No. WO 00/36710**

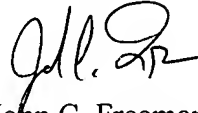
The '710 patent was cited in an Office Action for corresponding German Patent Application No. 101 12 895.9.

## **III. CONCLUSION**

It is not believed that the WIPO reference, alone or in combination, discloses or suggests the invention claimed. However, Applicants wish to make it clear that the disclosure of the above references is in no way an admission that they qualify as prior art. It is Applicants' desire, however, to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to see. Applicants therefore request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each

reference and make the above-listed references of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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